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**UTILITY
PATENT APPLICATION
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Attorney Docket No. **53982/297547**
Applicant: Identifier **53982/297547US**
Title **INFLATABLE CUSHIONING DEVICES**
Express Mail Label No. **EV333524216US**

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status (See 37 CFR 1.27)2. ☒ Specification Total Pages 13
(preferred arrangement as set forth below)

- Descriptive title of the Invention
- Cross References to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
- Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure

3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) Total Sheets 5

4. Oath or Declaration Total Pages
- a. ☐ unexecuted (original or copy)
- b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with box 17 completed) (Note Box 4 below)
- i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)

Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)

5. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 3b is checked)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

6. CD-Rom or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)

7. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(if applicable, all necessary)

- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
- i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
- ii. ☐ paper
- c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

8. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
9. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney
(when there is an assignee)
10. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
11. ☐ Information Disclosure ☐ Copies of IDS
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
12. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
13. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
14. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(If foreign priority is claimed)
15. ☒ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 Or its equivalent
16. Other:

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Prior application information: Examiner: Group/Art Unit:

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CLAIMS	For	Number Filed	Extra	Rate	Calculations
Total Claims	12	- 20	=	x \$ 18 =	\$
Indep. Claims	3	- 3	=	x \$ 84 =	\$
Multiple Dependent Claims (if applicable)			+	\$280 =	\$
				Basic Fee (37 CFR 1.16)	\$ 770.00
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	Title	INFLATABLE CUSHIONING DEVICES
	Atty Docket Number	53982/297547

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